GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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Youth Festivals/Programmes in Maharashtra
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal from the State Government of Maharashtra for youth festivals/programmes; and
(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon and the time by which the proposals are likely to be approved?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)
(a & b) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has received a proposal from the State Government of Maharashtra under National Programme for Youth and Adolescent Development (NPYAD) in November 2014 for the financial year 2014-2015. The proposal is for one State level youth festival, 5 National Integration Camps and one Self Defence Training Programme for women. Due to paucity of funds, the proposal could not be considered in the Financial Year 2014-15 as well as in the current financial year. The proposal will be considered in the next financial year along with other proposals.
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i) Sarvottam Jeevan Raksha Padak is awarded for conspicuous courage in saving life under circumstances of very great danger to the life of the rescuer.
ii) Uttam Jeevan Raksha Padak is awarded for courage and promptitude in saving life under circumstances of great danger to the life of the rescuer.
iii) Jeevan Raksha Padak is awarded for courage and promptitude in saving life under circumstances of grave bodily injury to the rescuer."
Further, the Ministry of Women and Child Development confers every year National Awards for Bravery to Children in the age not below 6 years and not above 18 years of age on the date of the incident. The deed should be an 'act of spontaneous selfless service in the face of risk to life or threat of physical injury and or an act of courage and daring against a social evil/crime'. The categories of awards are as under:
(i) Bharat Award
(ii) Geeta Chopra Award
(iii) Sanjay Chopra Award
(iv) Bapu Gaidhani Awards (three)
(v) General Awards
(c & d) Various Government programmes inspire the youth to be brave and courageous. However, there is no specific programme for creating bravery awareness among the young people.
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